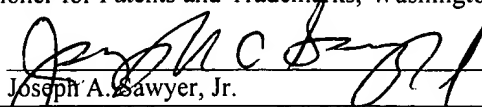


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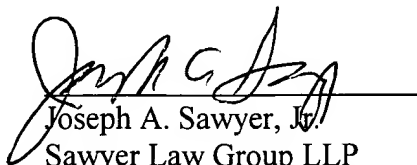
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- 1) Amendment responsive to the Office Action dated June 18, 2001
- 2) Transmittal Letter (original and two copies)
- 3) Postcard
- 4) The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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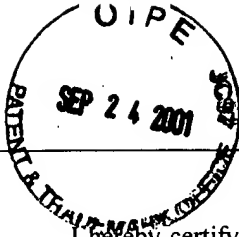
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2001, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A method for providing a point of sale environment for developing an application on a development system independently of a point of sale system, the application for use with point of sale equipment having a device, the application capable of utilizing the device when the application is executed on the point of sale equipment, the method comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing an emulation module corresponding to the device;
- (b) ensuring that the application will utilize the emulation module when the application is executed on the development system; and